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SUBJECT: VIETNAMESE EXIT PERMITS

1. DALE DEHAAN OF SENATOR KENNEDY'S OFFICE HAS INFORMED THE DEPARTMENT THAT THE SENATOR IS GETTING A GROWING CORRESPONDENCE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE ANXIOUS TO OBTAIN EXIT PERMITS FROM GVN FOR VIETNAMESE RELATIVES. DEHAAN SPECIFICALLY ASKED THAT THE EMBASSY LOOK INTO CASES OF THE FOLLOWING THREE VIETNAMESE WIVES OF AMERICAN VOLAG PERSONNEL, WHO HAVE BEEN SO FAR UNSUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING EXIT PERMITS ALLOWING THEM TO DEPART VIET-NAM WITH THEIR HUSBANDS: MRS. DOUGLAS ROBERTSON BEANE (HUYNH THI NGOC MAY); MRS. GEORGE RICHARDSON (DUONG NU); MRS. WILLIAM H. DANGERS (BUI THI XUYEN). ACCORDING TO DEHAAN THE PAPERS

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OF THE FIRST TWO ARE IN ORDER, BUT THE THIRD PERSON HAS ONLY BEEN MARRIED SINCE FEBRUARY. DEHAAN SAYS THAT APPLICATIONS FOR EXIT PERMITS WERE STARTED IN FEBRUARY.

2. DEPTOFF AGREED TO CONVEY THESE NAMES TO THE EMBASSY FOR APPROPRIATE FOLLOW-UP, BUT EXPLAINED THE TREMENDOUS OVER-BURDENING OF THE GVN FACILITIES FOR PROCESSING EXIT PERMITS. KISSINGER

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